SPECIAL ORDER

OCCUPANCY AND USE

Sawtooth National Forest

The following occupancy and use restrictions are necessary to implement the goals and objectives for the Boulder-White Clouds proposed wilderness as described in the Sawtooth National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan, dated September 16, 1987. The overall management goal for this area is to "manage to protect wilderness characteristics as described in the Wilderness Act of 1964 under a non-degradation policy until action is completed by Congress." These restrictions are necessary to protect land and resource conditions within the area, and prevent continued deterioration of the values that enhance this area as a proposed wilderness. These restrictions will remain in place until the Sawtooth National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan is amended or revised, or until such time that a "limits of acceptable change" approach is completed and implemented for the area which would further clarify these restrictions.

Pursuant to the Secretary of Agriculture regulations 36 CFR of 261.50 (a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited in the area described in this order, until further notice.

- 1) Failure to limit group size to 20 persons.
- 2) Being in the area with a combined number of pack and saddle stock in excess of 25 animals.
- 3) Shortcutting trail switchbacks on foot or with pack and saddle stock.
- 4) Building, maintaining, attending, or using campfires within the area within 200 yards of the following lakes: Cirque, Cove, Sapphire, Sheep, Slide, Tin Cup, Gunsight, Four Lakes Basin, Scree, Shallow, Castle and Chamberlain 9849.
- 5) Tethering pack and saddle stock within 100 feet of springs, lakes, or streams.
- 6) Tying pack and saddle stock to live trees for periods longer than one hour.

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

- 1) Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the prohibited act or omission.
- 2) Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- 3) Forest Service administrative personnel in the performance of an official duty.

This order applies to the following area:

Note: A map identifying the above described area affected by this order is listed as Exhibit A, and is attached to and made part of this order. A map identifying the lakes closed to campfires affected by this order is listed as Exhibit B, and is attached to and made part of this order.

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7/12/96 Date

Persons violating this order are subject to a maximum fine of \$5,000.00 and not more than six months imprisonment or both [16 USC 551, 18 USC 1(3), 18 USC 3571 (b)(6)].

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